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 030104**Mail Stop Patent Application**

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS:

(X) Specification in 34 pages.

(X) Drawings in 17 sheets.

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CONTINUITY INFORMATION:

Application	Relationship	Parent App. No./ Patent No.	Filing/Issue Date	Status
This Application 10/440,016	Continuation-in-part	10/440,016	05/16/03	Pending
	Continuation-in-part	6,632,224	10/14/03	Issued
This Application	Claims priority benefit	60/451,320	02/28/03	
This Application	Claims priority benefit	60/464,399	04/21/03	

(X) Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior applications is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

OTHER APPLICATION PARTS:

(X) Return prepaid postcard.

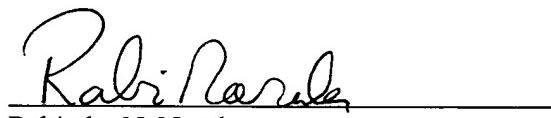
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Basic Utility		2001 (\$385)		\$385
Excess Claims > 20	26 - 20 = 6	2202 (\$9)	6 x 9 =	\$ 54
Independent > 3	3 - 3 = 0	2201 (\$43)	0 x 43 =	\$ 0
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